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TC 2800 MAIL ROOM

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

AKIRA GODA ET AL :

EXAMINER: TRINH, M

SERIAL NO.: 09/556,777 :

FILED: APRIL 25, 2000 :

GROUP ART UNIT: 2822

FOR: NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR
MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD
FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2001, Applicants elect **without traverse** Group I (Claims 1-5 and 11-14) directed to a semiconductor device for examination on the merits in the present application. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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